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AMENDMENT: AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED JUNE 1, 2009

Commissioner for Patents
P. O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

Applicants submit this paper in response to the Office Action dated June 1, 2009. The deadline for filing the response was September 1, 2009. A request for a three-month extension of time is included along with the required fee. The three-month extension of time brings the deadline for filing the response to December 1, 2009. A Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is also being filed along with the required fee. Should any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be required for any reason relating to the enclosed material, the Commissioner is authorized to deduct said fees from Fulbright & Jaworski L.L.P. Deposit Account No.: 50-1212/SONN:064US/10416096.

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